

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A composition for promoting collagen production, comprising **[[a]]** at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance and **[[a]]** at least one pyrimidine nucleic acid-related substance, wherein the purine nucleic acid-related substance is chosen from adenosine phosphate and salts of adenosine phosphate and wherein the pyrimidine nucleic acid-related substance is chosen from uridine monophosphate and salts of uridine monophosphate.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Original) A composition for promoting collagen production according to Claim 1, wherein the purine nucleic acid-related substance is at least one member selected from the group consisting of adenosine monophosphate and a salt thereof.

5. (Original) A composition for promoting collagen production according to Claim 1, wherein the purine nucleic acid-related substance is at least one member selected from the group consisting of adenosine 5'-monophosphate and a salt thereof.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) A composition for promoting collagen production according to Claim 1, wherein the pyrimidine nucleic acid-related substance is at least one member selected from the group consisting of uridine 5'-monophosphate and a salt thereof.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously Presented) A composition for promoting collagen production according to Claim 1, wherein the purine nucleic acid-related substance is selected from the group consisting of adenosine 5' -monophosphate and a salt thereof and the pyrimidine nucleic acid-related substance is at least one member selected from the group consisting of uridine 5'-monophosphate and a salt thereof.

12. (Previously Presented) A composition for promoting collagen production according to Claim 1, wherein the composition contains the pyrimidine nucleic acid-related substance in a proportion of 0.001 to 100 parts by weight per part by weight of the purine nucleic acid-related substance.

13. (Original) A composition for promoting collagen production according to Claim 1, wherein the composition contains the purine nucleic acid-related substance in a proportion of 0.01 to 10% by weight based on the total amount of the composition.

14. (Previously Presented) A composition for promoting collagen production according to Claim 1, wherein the composition contains the pyrimidine nucleic acid-related substance in a proportion of 0.0001 to 10% by weight based on the total amount of the composition.

15. (Original) A composition for promoting collagen production according to Claim 1 used for a cosmetic, or an externally-applied medical or quasi-medical drug.

16. (Currently Amended) A method for promoting collagen production, comprising applying to the skin [[a]] at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance and [[a]] at least one pyrimidine nucleic acid-related substance, wherein the purine nucleic acid-related substance is chosen from adenosine phosphate and salts of

adenosine phosphate and wherein the pyrimidine nucleic acid-related substance is chosen from uridine monophosphate and salts of uridine monophosphate.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Original) A method for promoting collagen production according to Claim 16, comprising applying to the skin the composition for promoting collagen production of Claim 1.

19-24. (Canceled)